

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 22 as with the following amended paragraph:

As a third example (not shown), the non-continuous coating is applied in areas of the fabric article subjected to relatively high levels of wind impact (e.g., the chest region of a shirt or jacket). Areas having the non-continuous coating have improved wind resistance due to the selected application of the coating material.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 29 as with the following amended paragraph:

The loop yarn 36 forming the technical back 38 of the knit fabric body 30 can be made of any synthetic or natural material. The cross section and luster of the fibers or the filament may be varied, e.g., as dictated by requirements of the intended end use. The loop yarn 16 can be a textured or flat filament yarn, with a textured yarn being preferred. In some embodiments, the loop yarn has a relatively finer dpf (e.g., at most about 0.2 to about 1.5 dpf) than the stitch yarn (e.g., about 2.0 dpf), allowing a tighter stitch (e.g., using a ~~235"~~ 235 inches per revolution, 28 cut, ~~26"~~ 26 inch cylinder knitting machine) for greater dynamic insulating effect. The loop yarn overall denier is preferably in the range of about 70 denier to 300 denier, such as about 150 denier. At the preferred count, the filament count range is from about 100 filaments to about 400 filaments. A preferred commercial loop yarn is a 2/70/200 filament with a dpf of 0.3, e.g., as available from Unifi Inc.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 24 as with the following amended paragraph:

In any of the above knit constructions, elastic, i.e. elastomeric, yarn may be added (e.g., spandex such as Lycra® or Lycra® T-400) to, e.g., the stitch yarn. In some cases, stitch yarn is formed of elastic, i.e. elastomeric, material. In certain cases, elastomeric yarn can be wound about the stitch yarn and/or the elastomeric yarn can be added to the stitch yarn in plaited form and/or air cover. In some embodiments, stitch yarn may include an elastic, i.e. elastomeric, core yarn. The elastomeric materials in the stitch yarn can provide relatively greater densification and tortuosity, and therefore increased dynamic insulation performance for enhanced protection from wind penetration, as well as providing for fabric stretch and enhanced wearer comfort.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 25 as with the following amended paragraph:

Example I: Plaited Knit Construction

Loop yarn: 70/48 tx polyester
Stitch yarn: 70/72 tx polyester (technical face)
Spandex (plaited with stitch yarn): 55 denier Dorlastan
2.4 cut (gauge), 26 inch cylinder
Stitch meter: ~~295"~~ 295 inches per revolution.

Example II: Plaited Knit Construction

Loop yarn: 70/72 tx polyester
Stitch yarn: 70/72 tx polyester (technical face)
Spandex (plaited with stitch yarn): 70 denier Dorlastan
24 cut (gauge), 26" 26 inch cylinder
Stitch meter: ~~275"~~ 275 inches per revolution.

Example III: Reverse Plaiting Knit Construction

Loop yarn: 150/136 tx polyester
Stitch yarn: 100/36 tx polyester (technical face)
28 cut (gauge), 26" 26 inch cylinder
Stitch meter: ~~250"~~ 250 inches per revolution.

Example IV: Double Needle Bar Warp Knit Construction

Pile: 150/68 tx polyester

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Backing: 2/150/132 tx polyester (technical face)
Stitch yarn: 100/34 tx polyester
16 gauge machine.